

# **MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, DECEMBER 2, 2003, 7:00 P.M.**

## **GENERALIZED SUMMARY**

### **VERBATIM DISCUSSION ON TAPE ON FILE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE**

Hamilton County Council met in Executive Session in Conference Room 1A of the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1-(b)(2)(C), Implementation of Security Systems. The executive session was called to order at 6:35 p.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m. Those in attendance were Meredith Carter, Jim Belden, John Hiatt, Christine Altman, Judy Levine, Jim Wallace, Robin Mills, Dawn Coverdale, BJ Casali Steve Holt. Rick McKinney arrived at 6:43 p.m.

President Carter called to order the regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:07:48 p.m. Auditor Mills called role: Rick McKinney, Jim Belden, Meredith Carter, John Hiatt, Judy Levine and Jim Wallace. Councilor Schwartz was not in attendance.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Councilor Wallace.

[7:09:00] Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of November 5, 2003 meeting. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[7:09:19] Councilor Levine moved to approve Executive Session memorandum of December 2, 2003. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Public Comments:**

## **COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORTS**

### **President**

**Vice President** [7:09:52] Councilor Belden stated:

Solid Waste Board met. Board has appointed Hamilton County Auditor, Robin Mills as Controller for Solid Waste Board.

Attended Park Board Meeting where bond issue was discussed. Councilor Belden also explained the Christmas Light display at Cool Creek is provided by sub-contractor who pays Parks \$1.00 per vehicle.

Attended Insurance Committee meeting where recent problems and concerns with provider were discussed and the mandatory meetings for employees that will be held later this week.

### **Highway**

### **Finance**

### **Personnel**

### **Miscellaneous**

**Commissioner Report** Commissioner Altman reported [7:12:36]

Progressing with contract for the design of the Prosecutor's office design and estimate. Requested the tabled additional be removed. This request was the balance for the retrofit of the Prosecutor's offices. Commissioners will request funds when estimates are finalized in 2004.

The additional \$150,000 on tonight's agenda is for matching Fica and Social Security required to meet remaining payroll in 2003.

Pictometry contract was signed and the County will go forward with this project.

Contract for Baker, Donelson in Washington is being negotiated and includes Noblesville, Hamilton County & Port Authority for 2004. 2003 balance will be encumbered.  
Snow committee still planning and organizing.

**Unfinished/Tabled Business**

[7:15:50] Councilor Hiatt moved to untable the Commissioners additional request of \$253,746. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 5-0.

[7:16:03] Councilor Levine moved to approve Commissioners additional request of \$213,746 in 101.011.000.3713 Contractual. Councilor Wallace seconded motion. Motion failed 0-6.

**New Business** [7:17:19] Mike Howard presented for Council approval Resolutions for the Juvenile Detention Center. Mr. Howard stated a meeting will be held Friday, December 5, 2003 with Engineers who will be performing site work to evaluate final components of this part of project. Reminded Council of intent to begin site work in January. The hearing with State Tax Commission will be in February with construction of building beginning in April and notice to proceed given in May.

[7:19:19] Councilor Wallace moved to approve Resolution 11-04-03-1 “A Resolution Preliminary Determining Need For A Juvenile Detention Center and Resolution 12-03-03-1 “A Resolution Of The Hamilton County Council Determining The Need To Enter Into A Lease For A New Juvenile Detention Facility”. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 5-1 with Councilor McKinney against.

[7:22:40] Councilor Belden moved to approve 2004 contract for Michael A. Reuter Consulting Services, Inc. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[7:26:30] Councilor Levine moved to approve 2004 contract for John F. Culp. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Additional, Transfers and Amend Form 144**

[7:23:23] Councilor Levine motioned for Council to resolve approving ISSD additional request of \$173,400 in 101.020.000.3515 Contractual: Fiber Optical Cabling. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[7:23:40] Councilor Hiatt moved to approve Commissioners additional request of \$150,000 101.011.000.1401 Social Security. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[7:24:14] Councilor Belden moved to approve all items on agenda from Ea to Ei listed below. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

	<u>Reducing</u>	<u>Increasing</u>
<b>County General Extension</b>		
		101.025.000.1009 Receptionist
		101.025.000.1407 Overtime
	<u>\$1,334.10</u>	
		<u>\$2,034.10</u>
101.025.000.1300 Part Time		
\$ <u>234.00</u>		

101.025.000.3713 Contractual Services  
\$ 466.00

Drainage

101.021.000.1000 Drainage Board  
101.021.000.3851 Pse 2  
Supplement  
\$4,125.00  
\$4,431.28

101.021.000.2001 Office Supplies  
\$ 306.28

Microfilm

101.029.000.1001 Supervisor  
101.029.000.1411 Universal  
Adjustment  
\$ 55.00  
\$ 55.00

Sheriff

101.037.000.1410 PT Legal Advisor  
101.037.000.1411 Universal  
Adjustment  
\$ 55.00  
\$ 55.00

101.037.000.1410 PT Legal Advisor  
101.037.000.1302 Reserve  
Deputies  
\$ 600.00  
\$ 600.00

Surveyor

101.044.000.1005 Survey Manager  
101.044.000.3851 Pse 2  
Supplement  
\$ 5.12  
\$52,997.30

101.044.000.1008 Plan Reviewer  
\$ 866.00

101.044.000.1011 Permit Inspector  
\$4,647.88

101.044.000.1014 Plan Reviewer  
\$10,939.65

101.044.000.1015 Inspector  
\$ 217.28

101.044.000.1016 Project Engineer  
\$15,381.68

101.044.000.1018 Receptionist  
\$2,153.47

101.044.000.1019 Engineering Tech  
\$ 603.45

101.044.000.1300 Part Time  
\$14,915.00

101.044.000.2010 Gas  
\$1,575.00

101.044.000.2001 Office Supplies  
\$1,692.77

**Veteran Services**

101.049.000.3603 Seminar & Training  
101.049.000.2001 Supplies  
\$ 54.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 54.50

**Washington Township Assessor**

101.060.000.1300 Part Time  
101.060.000.1001 Field Appraiser  
\$1,024.65  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,024.65

101.060.000.3601 Postage  
101.060.000.2001 Supplies  
\$ 400.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 800.00

101.060.000.3302 Electricity  
\$ 400.00

**2003 144 Amendment : Washington Twp Assessor**

1001 Real Estate Director/Field Appr Comot F \$45,524

**2004 144 Amendments:**

**Jail 027**

1010 Accreditation & Program Coord Pole C \$37,603  
1025 Assistant Administrator Pole E \$44,793  
1049 Dispatcher Pole B \$33,972  
1051 Dispatch Supervisor Pole C  
\$41,302  
1052 Dispatcher Pole B \$33,972  
1055 Asst Communications Director Pole E  
\$46,361  
1085 Corrections Officer Pole A  
\$26,625

**Sheriff 037**

1026 Detective Pole D \$50,535

**Washington Twp Assessor**

1001 Real Estate Director/Field Appr COMOT F \$49,072

[7:25:57] Councilor Belden moved to approve all items on agenda from F to I listed below.  
Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Motor Vehicle Highway**

102.000.000.1022 Crew Leader  
102.000.000.1024 Mechanic  
\$1,100  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,100

102.000.000.1005 Trans Dev Engineer
102.000.000.1401 Social Security
\$6,000
<u>\$6,000</u>

**Reassessment Fund**

109.000.000.1301 PT Technical
109.000.000.1411 Universal Adjustment
\$ 220
<u>\$ 220</u>

**Household Hazardous Waste**

307.000.000.3603 Seminars & Training
307.000.000.1403 Retirement
\$ 800
<u>\$ 800</u>

**Additional Appropriation**  
**354 Non-Reverting Operating Parks**  
 Other Services & Charges

354.000.000.3713 Contractual Services
<u>\$ 15,000</u>

[7:29:00] Councilor Hiatt moved to approve 2004 144 Amendment for the 4H Grounds Facilities. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**4H Facilities**

1001 Maintenance Supervisor, Browning	<u>\$36,545</u>
1002 Custodial, Alley	<u>\$23,168</u>
1003 Maintenance, Charlton	<u>\$28,319</u>
1004 Maintenance, Clark	<u>\$28,701</u>
1005 Maintenance, Hatton	<u>\$31,379</u>

[7:29:22] Financial Consultant, Mike Reuter  
 Spoke with KPMG regarding the Coit Audit. KPMG has gone through materials State sent in response to data County requested.  
 KPMG also met with State Auditors Office, it was determined that the State Auditor’s Office wasn’t the correct office to get data KPMG needs but State Auditor’s Office was helpful in directing KPMG to correct department.  
 KPMG will be meeting with the State Technology people to determine if Department of Revenue computer system can produce information such as return by taxpayer.  
 Mike has received a written memorandum that outlined materials received and materials still missing.  
 KPMG memorandum also confirmed that money coming into State is going into the state general fund then distributed to counties based on number of tax returns.  
 Mike reported he’s been following Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 1001. There’s been a lot of discussion around a referendum for projects that may be encountered for capital needs. There was language that any bond projects over \$2,000,000 would be voted on by taxpayers through a referendum. Senate Bill 1 did remove this language but does have stricter remonstrance guidelines.  
 Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 1001 talk of capping local government at a 5% increase of their levy’s. Mike did speak with Senator Kenley and Representative Richardson and asked that they make sure there is appeal language in this bill because Hamilton Counties growth can’t be supported with a 5% maximum levy increase when we’re experiencing 7-9% growth increase.

[7:57:52] **2004 Council Board Appointments**

Councilor Belden moved to reappoint Carol Carley to the Alcoholic Beverage Board.  
Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Belden moved to reappoint Steve Schwartz to the County Plan Commission.  
Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Belden moved to reappoint John Hiatt to 4-H Council Board. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Levine moved to reappoint Sharon Bislich to the Hamilton North Library Board.  
Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Belden moved to appoint Meredith Carter to the Hamilton County Alliance.  
Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Levine moved to reappoint Charles Kimmel and James Durr to the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Belden moved to reappoint Dwight Crowmer to the Hoosier Heritage Port Authority. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Levine moved to reappoint John Hiatt to the E911 Board and Jim Wallace as backup. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Belden moved to reappoint Judy Levine to Soil & Water Conservation District.  
Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[8:02:08] The following changes were made to Liaison Board Members Appointments

Council Parliamentarian: Rick McKinney    Prosecutor: Rick McKinney  
Human Society: Rick McKinney    Tourism  
Board: Assistant to Jim Wallace  
Prevail: Assistant Judy Levine

**ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS** - None

**AUDITOR'S COMMENTS** [8:08:04]

Auditor Mills publicly thanked the Council for allowing employee increases in 2004.

[8:08:56] Councilor Hiatt announced he would be unable to attend the January meeting.  
Councilor Hiatt also offered to file amended tax return for employees who this causes a hardship.

[8:11:07] Sheriff Carter requested permission from Council to advertise Public Hearing for January meeting on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. Councilor Belden moved to approve Sheriff request for fund to be created and advertise public hearing. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

[8:13:11] Councilor McKinney moved to adjourn meeting. Councilor Belden seconded.  
Meeting adjourned 8:13:17 p.m.

**Those present:**

Diana Lamirand, Noblesville Ledger  
BJ Casali, ISS  
Jerolyn Ogle, Washington Twp Assessor  
George Piper, Daily Times

President

Auditor